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PARTICLE BEAM APPARATUS

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL REJECTON

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated February 25, 2005, finally rejecting claims 24-32, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.